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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

FIRE et al.

Appln. No. 09/215,257

Filed: December 18, 1998

Title: GENETIC INHIBITION BY  
DOUBLE-STRANDED RNA



Group Art Unit: 1649

Examiner: Unknown

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July 9, 1999

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that each enclosed document listed on the herewith Form PTO-1449 was cited in the attached PCT International Search Report dated June 10, 1999, issued in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months ago.

See the degree of relevancy and the particular passages cited for each document in that Search Report.

Contingent Request Under Rule 97(c): Should a first action on the merits have been issued on the same day or before this Information Disclosure Statement is filed, please accept this Information Disclosure Statement under Rule 97(c) and charge the requisite Rule 17(p) fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 20263/256628 and proceed to

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This Information Disclosure Statement is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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